

## BAD FAITH IN MOVING PLANT IS THE CHARGE

Indignant Mt. Gilead Stockholders Ask Aid Of Court

GIVE FOUR REASONS FOR AN INJUNCTION

"Enterprise Belongs To The Community," The Petition Points Out

Brief mention was made Thursday in The Banner of the action taken to prevent the Hydraulic Press Mfg. Co. from moving to Columbus from Mt. Gilead. In view of the local interest attaching to this step, the following article, taken from the Morrow County Sentinel, is reproduced:

The plant of the Hydraulic Press Mfg. Co. will not be moved from Mt. Gilead to Columbus without a final judgment on such an issue without first submitting the question to the holders of the common stock. A petition, filed in common pleas court Wednesday afternoon by Attorneys J. D. Williamson and Benjamin Olds, representing Mel B. Talmage, W. E. Miller and A. B. Comins, asks an injunction against removing the plant until the court can pass on that question.

Four questions are raised in the petition viz: (1) The legality of the action of the directors in passing upon such a question without submitting it to a vote of the stockholders. (2) It is alleged that the removal of the plant will depreciate the value of the stock. (3) It is alleged that the removal violates the agreement made with persons to whom common stock was sold in 1887. (4) That is violates an agreement made with purchasers of preferred stock sold in 1915.

For the first cause of action the petition alleges that the directors on Feb. 3, 1917, met and voted to remove the plant, empowering W. G. Tucker, F. B. McMillin and Foster Copeland to enter into contracts for the removal and make all necessary arrangements; that this was done without submitting to the stockholders the proposition to amend the articles of incorporation and by-laws to read Columbus instead of Mt. Gilead; that the board then refused and now refuses to submit the question of removal to a vote of the stockholders. The plaintiffs state that they have no other remedy at law and that only an injunction will prevent the removal of the plant.

The positive statement that removal of the plant violates an agreement made with the purchasers of common stock in 1887, when the original stock in the present company was sold. At that time, it is alleged, Mt. Gilead subscribed \$25,000 in common stock upon the specific promise that the plant was to remain in Mt. Gilead. Removal also, it is alleged, violates the understanding given in 1915, when preferred stock was sold in Mt. Gilead with the understanding that the plant was to remain here.

The third cause of action alleges that removal of the plant violates an agreement made with the purchasers of common stock in 1887, when the original stock in the present company was sold. At that time, it is alleged, Mt. Gilead subscribed \$25,000 in common stock upon the specific promise that the plant was to remain in Mt. Gilead. Removal also, it is alleged, violates the understanding given in 1915, when preferred stock was sold in Mt. Gilead with the understanding that the plant was to remain here.

The three plaintiffs who bring the action are among the largest holders of the common stock residing in Mt. Gilead. Two have served on the company's board of directors.

When the case will be heard is of course a problem, but developments are expected to follow fast upon the filing of the suit. The petition does not ask for a temporary restraining

order, but an injunction so that the case will be heard upon its merits. Dr. N. Tucker and Mark Cook and a number of other leading Mt. Gilead citizens are personally behind the suit.

## ATTENDANCE

At Funeral Of Late Wm. Floyd Is Large

Brotherhood Of Locomotive Engineers Members Head The Cortege To The Cemetery

There was a large attendance of friends and associates of the late William Floyd, B. & O. engineer, who was killed on his engine last Monday, who heard Requiem High Mass said for the repose of his soul, by Rev. Father Charles H. A. Watterston at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:00 o'clock this morning. Interment was made in Mt. Calvary and a contingent of the local Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers headed the funeral cortege to the cemetery.

The dead engineer's sisters, Mrs. Thomas Quinn of New Martinsville, W. Va., Mrs. B. L. Hagey of Huntington, W. Va., and Mrs. Mart. Thornton, of Chicago Junction attended the funeral. A fourth sister Mrs. James Denison, lives in Newark.—Newark Advocate.

## FINE JOB FOR JOSEPH CONROY

Becomes Asst. Supt. Of A Dennison Factory

IS A PROMINENT ELK

Family Will Remain Here For Present, Mr. Conroy Assuming Duties At Once—Has Led Catholic Choir In This City

Joseph M. Conroy, one of the well-known citizens of Mt. Vernon and formerly a molder at the C. & G. Cooper foundry, has accepted a position as assistant superintendent of the foundry of the Dennison Foundry & Machine company, located at Dennison.

Mr. Conroy is well-known in the Elk's lodge, being a past exalted ruler, and for several years has been leader of the choir at St. Vincent de Paul's church in this city.

Mr. Conroy leaves for Dennison to assume his new duties immediately, but Mrs. Conroy and the children will remain here for the present after which they join Mr. Conroy in Dennison. Mr. Conroy has been working in Alliance.

## DOUGLASS

To Assist In Arranging Big Convention

National Anti-Tuberculosis Society Is To Meet In Cincinnati, May 9, 10 and 11

Dr. Philip Jacobs, secretary of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, has appointed Dr. Stephen A. Douglass of the Ohio State Sanatorium a member of the committee on arrangement for the annual meeting of the association, which is to be held in Cincinnati May 9, 10 and 11.

This is the first time the association has met in the state of Ohio and over 1,000 members are expected to attend the meeting.

## DR. N. S. TOLAND

DEAD AT MARTINSBURG—PRACTICED MEDICINE 45 YEARS

Dr. N. S. Toland was taken in death at his home in Martinsburg Thursday evening at 11 o'clock, following an illness of about six weeks. Death was due to the infirmities of old age. Dr. Toland was 84 years of age at the time of his demise, having practiced medicine for 45 years. The deceased was a veteran of the Civil war. He is survived by his wife and two children. Six grandchildren also survive Dr. Toland. The funeral Monday at 2:00 o'clock at the Martinsburg Presbyterian church. All those wishing to view the remains will please call at the late home. Dr. Toland was the only physician in Martinsburg.

Mrs. Thomas McCullough, 509 West Chestnut street, went to Hunts Saturday to visit with relatives.

## WOULD STEAL MISS CRUMLEY

Americus, Ga., Papers Lavish In Praise Of Her

SINGING DELIGHTFUL

Local Girl Joins Choir For A Month; Has Appeared In One Recital And Before The Daughters Of The Confederacy

Miss Helen Crumley of East Vine street, who is spending some time in Americus, Georgia, is singing with the Furlow Lawn choir during the month of February there. This is announced in one of the Americus newspapers as follows:

Miss Helen Crumley of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, will be with the Furlow Lawn choir during the month of February. Miss Crumley, who has studied under some of the best instructors in America, is a graduate of the famous Brookfield School of music. Her voice has received unusually favorable comment by those who have had the pleasure of hearing her since she has been in the city. Her friends here, as elsewhere, predict for her a bright musical career.

In announcing a meeting of the Americus Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, the newspaper had the following to say:

Miss Crumley of Ohio, the talented guest of Miss Blanche Schneider, whose voice has afforded so much pleasure during her visit here, will favor the daughters with a vocal selection.

Recently, Miss Crumley appeared in a program at Ellaville, Ga., together with Miss Blanche Schneider and Miss Ellen Estes, both of Americus. Miss Crumley rendered the following numbers: The Swallows (Coenen), Violets (Huntington Woodman), Jean (Burleigh), Deep in My Heart a Little Lay Hild (Aylward), the Elfman (Wells), and, in costume, Annie Laurie, Silver Threads Among the Gold, and Comin' Thro' the Rye. With Miss Schneider, she sang Believe Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms.

In reporting this concert, the Americus newspaper said:

Miss Crumley, who has been in Americus for several weeks, has proven herself to be a true artist, delighting all who heard her with her clear enunciation and expression. The many friends which Miss Crumley has gained through her beautiful voice and her willingness to sing upon all occasions are hoping that she may remain in Americus.

## SHORT LOCALS

Miss Gertrude Spurgeon of the Ohio State Sanatorium went to Newark Friday to spend two weeks with relatives.

Mrs. D. B. Tuttle, Mrs. Cliv Ogg and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ogg were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Ogg of Utica Thursday.

C. A. Pack and children, Leona, Lena, Kenneth, Hilda and Blanche, went to Newark Friday to spend the week-end with relatives.

Mrs. Lanning Parsons and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of East Chestnut street went to Holmes county Friday where they will visit for several days.

Mrs. S. F. Carey of East Hamtramck street went to Columbus Friday to spend the week-end with relatives.

Mrs. Bessie Scott returned to her home in Centerburg Friday after spending several days here with friends.

J. B. Graham, nestor of the Knox county bar by the death of the late Hon. H. H. Greer, has been named as the president of the association.

Partin-Palmer touring car, \$695, 34 h.p., 110-in. wheelbase. Full electrical equipment. E. W. Huntsberger, Mt. Vernon, O. 3-20

Dale Bradfield departed Thursday for his home in Kansas City, Mo. He has been the guest of Capt. and Mrs. Lanning Parsons.

Stephen Lahmon of Gambier was taken to Mt. Carmel hospital, Columbus, Thursday and underwent an operation Thursday afternoon. Mr. Lahmon was taken to Columbus by Drs. Eley and Welker.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hair of East High street went to Mt. Gilead Friday to attend the funeral of Mr. Hair's uncle, James Harriman of Chicago, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Mapes have removed here from Mt. Vernon and are occupying the Bishop residence on South Preston street. Mr. Mapes will have charge of the Jacob's barber shop.—Centerburg Gazette.

## WAR NOW COSTS GREAT BRITAIN \$29,000,000 A DAY

In asking the house of commons to give the government \$2,750,000,000 for expenses until next June Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law stated that the war is now costing Great Britain \$29,000,000 a day, an increase of \$5,000,000 a day since the beginning of the financial year, March 31, 1916.

## SAYS U BOAT CAMPAIGN IS DOOMED TO FAILURE

Best Protection Against Submarines Is Gun Mounted on Merchantman, Asserts Transatlantic Traveler.

English and American voyagers on the steamship New York, which has just arrived from Europe, are unanimous, so far as opinions could be gathered, in the conviction that Germany had already done her worst in submarine warfare and that the destruction by the allies was going on at a rate disastrous to the Berlin government. The weapons used most effectively against submarines, it was said, were guns mounted on merchant vessels, guns of warships conveying merchantmen and nets.

Guns mounted fore and aft on merchantmen were said by many to be all the protection against submarines needed. One American citizen who had been abroad for many months in a position that might enable him to have accurate information, but who was not free to let his name be used, expressed this belief emphatically.

"Out of seventy-eight armed merchantmen which were attacked by submarines," he said, "seventy-four succeeded in destroying or driving off the submarines and in reaching French ports untouched, two arrived disabled by torpedoes and two were sunk. On the other hand, so far as I have been able to learn, every unarmed and otherwise unprotected vessel that has been attacked by a submarine has been sunk."

"Germany's assertion that she will shut off England from the world by the use of submarines would be paralleled if Lloyd George were to announce tomorrow that he intended to send an army of 500,000 men into Berlin next week. We couldn't do it, and Germany can't do what she threatens either. I am surprised that people in America take it so seriously."

## AVIATORS LEAD CHARGE.

Fly Ahead, Pointing Out Weak Spots In Enemy Lines.

The steamship Chicago, which has just arrived from Europe, brought in thirty-nine French soldiers on the way to their homes in Canada on furlough. Robert McCreary of East Aurora, N. Y., and Frederick Zinn of Chicago, the former a driver for the American ambulance corps and the latter an American aviator, came from the front to spend their leave with relatives.

Zinn was wounded while serving in the foreign legion and spent five months in a hospital. His later activities have been in the aviation branch of the service.

"Aviators," he said, "are now leading regiments and sometimes whole divisions in charges against the Germans. A capable aviator rises high above the German lines and then signals with a system known as optical telegraphy to the commands beneath him. It is much like the fire control on battleships, where the men at the guns do not see the target, but are able to strike it. The signaling system has just been perfected. When an advance of infantry is ordered the men are not only directed, but the lines are guided away from exceptional peril and toward weak spots in the enemy line. In other words, the work of a general or colonel in directing an advance now devolves on a lieutenant occupying an observer's seat in an airplane."

## World's Crop Estimates.

Official world crop production estimates for 1916, just made public by the department of agriculture, show: Wheat (seventeen leading countries), 2,478,000,000 bushels, 25.3 per cent less than the 1915 crop; rye (eleven countries), 989,000,000 bushels, 5.2 per cent less than 1915; barley (sixteen countries), 1,023,000,000 bushels, 15.6 per cent less than 1915; oats (fourteen countries), 3,158,000,000 bushels, 13.5 per cent less than 1915; corn (six countries), 2,744,000,000 bushels, 14.5 per cent less than 1915; cotton (United States, India, Japan and Egypt), 17,071,000 equivalent 500 pound bales, 7.9 per cent more than 1915. India's 1917 wheat average is forecast as an increase of 8 per cent over 1916. Flax 3 per cent less and cotton 19 per cent more, with cotton production indicated at 22 per cent greater than the last year.

## Longest Name In Michigan.

On page 386 of Kalamazoo's new city directory may be found the name of Polybins Theodore von der Gortzopolis, a waiter in a restaurant. It is said of Theodore von der Gortzopolis that his name of eleven syllables and twenty-eight letters is not only the longest in the directory, but also longer than that of any other resident of Michigan.—Detroit News.

## WHAT UNCLE SAM, AT WAR, WOULD DO

He Can Immediately Become an All Powerful Ruler.

## COMMANDEERING SUPPLIES

Railroads, Steamships and All Vehicles Would Be Taken Over at Once—Conscription For All Men if Volunteer Force Is Insufficient—Suspension of Habeas Corpus Act.

If by an overt act by any land the United States government is forced to declare war against that country Uncle Sam, acting on military needs, could and would be transformed from an easy going, indulgent, tolerant old fellow into a most powerful ruler, as powerful as any potentate on earth, as has been demonstrated on other occasions when exigencies of war demanded drastic action.

Measures Likely to Be Taken. Here are some of the things which Uncle Sam will be pretty sure to do under the stress of war:

Resort promptly to conscription of all able-bodied men—single men first—between eighteen and forty-five years of age, with those limits extended, if necessary, for the army and navy. There will be no conscription if volunteers come forward in sufficient numbers to meet the requirements of the president's first call.

Commandeer all automobiles, auto trucks, motorcycles, horse vehicles and horses, munition and other plants, for all of which the government would pay, of course.

Commandeer all railroads and street railway lines, telegraph and telephone lines, all steamboats, ships and other craft.

All food supplies except sufficient for civilian population on a reduced rate, gasoline and all other things required for the conduct of the war.

## Suspend Habeas Corpus Act.

Suspend the habeas corpus act, thus taking away the last prop of those who might extend aid or comfort to the enemy. This act was suspended during the war between the states. It came to a final test in Baltimore in May, 1861. John Merryman, a leading citizen of Baltimore county, had been arrested on the charge of treason. A petition was filed in the United States circuit court in his behalf by his counsel, praying for the issuing of habeas corpus, which was granted by Chief Justice Taney of the United States supreme court and refused by General Cadwallader of the army. Subsequently Chief Justice Taney issued an attachment for contempt of court. The question was referred to President Lincoln and was never heard of again.

This and other acts by Uncle Sam during the civil war period should convince all that the government has ample authority to take care of itself. If necessary detention camps can be established, where all enemy citizens will be compelled to reside until the war is over.

Here are some more steps the government could and undoubtedly would take to insure the safety of the country:

Stop runs on savings and other banks.

Prohibit exportation of all foodstuffs and other supplies which this government might need.

In fact, Uncle Sam would demonstrate on short notice and without formal preliminaries that under the stress of war he is "some pumpkins."

## SAVE APPENDIX MOVEMENT IS ON IN SOUTH DAKOTA

No Pay For Doctors Who Remove a Good One if Bill Passes.

No matter that the doctors say your appendix is a useless member of your innards, that its only modern mission inside of you is a trouble maker, the South Dakota legislature is to consider a bill for its protection.

The bill if passed will ordain that if any doctor decides that a citizen's appendix is the cause of the pains that double him up and thereupon removes the aforesaid appendix he must send the same to the state laboratory, and if then, on due investigation, it be found that the appendix is wholly innocent—then the victim need not pay the bill.

## RUSSIANS AND GERMANS ALLIED FIGHT WOLVES

A wolf hunt in which both Russian and German soldiers joined is described in correspondence from the Polish front. Parties of Russian and German scouts met recently and were hotly engaged in a skirmish when a large pack of wolves dashed on the scene and attacked the wounded. Hostilities were at once suspended, and Russians and Germans instinctively attacked the pack, killing about fifty of the wolves. After the hunt the soldiers separated, each party returning unmolested to its own trenches.

## END OF THE 64th CONGRESS IS IN SIGHT

Washington, D. C., Feb. 24—Over-shadowed by the public interest in the international situation and also in some measure by the enthusiasm attending the final preparations for the inauguration, the Sixty-fourth Congress is quietly getting ready for the termination of its business one week from today.

Retiring members, some of whom have been in Congress for a score or more of years, are already cleaning out their desks for the exodus from the Capitol. During the past week or so many of the new senators and representatives, who are to come into office with the Sixty-fifth Congress, have come to Washington and dropped into the Capitol to mingle with their future associates of the two houses, and to take mental stock of their environment and friends in the new Congress.

Veteran members who failed of reelection last November, many of whom have been prominently identified with legislation in recent years, will be the recipient of farewell greetings and tokens of regard from their associates during the coming week. Some of the best known faces that will be missing in the senate chamber when the Sixty-fifth Congress is rapped to order will be those of Senator Kern, the Democratic floor leader, who went down with the Indiana landslide; John D. Works of California, who is to be succeeded by Hiram Johnson; Nathan P. Bryan of Florida, who gives way to former Governor Park Trammell; the veteran Senator Clapp of Minnesota, who is to be replaced by Frank B. Kellogg, famed "trust-buster"; James A. O'Govern of New York, who declined to become a candidate for reelection; Geo. T. Oliver of Pennsylvania, whose seat is to be filled by former Secretary of State Philander Knox; George Sutherland of Utah, Luke Lea of Tennessee, and the veteran Clarence D. Clark of Wyoming, who ranks with Lodge of Massachusetts and Gallinger of New Hampshire in length of service.

The changes in the membership of the House with the end of the present Congress will be numerous, though not so notable as those in the upper branch. A majority of the best known members of the present Congress will be seen in their customary seats when the new body convenes. These will include James R. Mann of Illinois, the present Republican leader; Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, son-in-law of Colonel Roosevelt; Isaac B. Sherwood, also of Ohio, who will be the oldest member of the new Congress in point of years, and "Uncle Joe" Cannon, the Danville sage of the long elms and good stories. Speaker Champ Clark, Claude Kitchin and numerous others who have been influential in shaping the course of legislation in recent years will also be on hand for the new Congress.

## COMMANDERY ORDERS ARE CONFERRED FRIDAY NIGHT

Two candidates received the orders of Red Cross and Malta at the regular meeting Friday night of Clinton Commandery, No. 5, Knights Templars. William Dyer presided in the conferring of the former degree and Past Commander Charles E. Ayers in that of the latter.

## TO KEEP ALIVE SUNDAY'S WORK

Boston, Mass., Feb. 24—Aiming to keep the spirit of Billy Sunday marching on in Massachusetts, tomorrow has been designated as "Go to Church Sunday" all over the state. The purpose is to retain the public interest in religion aroused by Mr. Sunday's recent campaign in Boston. The Massachusetts Federation of Churches is sponsor for the state-wide movement.

## WORMS KILL HOGS

By virtue of an Order of Sale in Partition issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Knox County, Ohio, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at the door of the court house, in Mount Vernon, Knox County, Ohio, at 10 o'clock, A. M., Saturday, the 24th day of March, 1917, between the hours of 1 p. m. and 3 p. m. of said day, the following described lands and tenements, to-wit:

Being Forty acres off the west side of the home farm of the late Frank E. Caywood, in Middlebury Township, Knox County, Ohio, said Forty acres being known as the Aunt Sarah Ewers share and more particularly known as being a part of Section number 4, Township Eight and Range number 14. Appraised at \$4,000.00.

Terms of Sale—One-third cash; one-third in one year, one-third in two years, the deferred payments to be secured by mortgage on the premises sold and to bear interest from the day of sale payable annually, or the purchaser may pay all cash if he so elects.

WALTER B. MOSEBOLD, Sheriff Knox County, Ohio. H. Hart Rine, Auctioneer. 2-29-17, 2-24, 11:30.

## PRAYED NOT TO SEE MORNING

Pitiful State Of Stomach Invalid

Who Recovered After Taking Black-Draught.

Elmsford, N. Y.—"Only a few months ago, I prayed I would not see morning," says Mrs. Charles E. Jones, of this town. "For five long years, I was an invalid, and tried everything I heard of to obtain relief. My husband spent over four hundred dollars trying to get me well.

I read in one of the Ladies' Birthday Almanacs about Thedford's Black-Draught, and decided to try it. I took five packages, and was able to say that I can sleep like a baby, and eat, or drink anything I want, and walk two miles, easily. Feel better than I have for years.

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Rev. R. H. N. Moore of Gambier will preach at the Salvation Army hall tomorrow evening. Subject: "A Man's Struggle."

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester H. Fisher of East Pleasant street went to Akron Friday to attend the funeral of the late Miss Daisy Hoss.